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## INCREASED TENSION OVER FUTURE OF PALESTINE THREAT OF ARAB "HOLY WAR" British Warning To Syria

New bomb threats emphasise the tension in the Holy Land. Reports continue to circulate that Syrian and Lebanese troops are gathering on the Palestine border in conformance with an Arab League resolution adopted last Thursday.

### Winter Suits For \$160

Three-piece winter suits of superior quality can now be obtained from Messrs. Tak Cheong, No. 52, Queen's Road Central, at the controlled price of \$160 per suit.

Two-piece suits will be available at \$137.00. Suits cost \$55.00. Waistcoat \$23.00. Trousers \$42.00. Prices include all material and all workmanship. Material is of the best quality, and workmanship has been guaranteed by the tailor concerned to be his best. Suits will be made to measure and fittings will be given. It will not be necessary for persons requiring suits to present ration cards. A deposit of 50 per cent of the clothing ordered will be required.

### Canton Black Market In Gold Bars

Canton, Oct. 14. Twelve Canton shops charged with black market dealing in gold bars and foreign currencies were closed over the week-end as Municipal police accelerated the campaign to halt black-marketing.

There were indications, however, that illegal traffic in both gold and Hong Kong and American dollars continued, even as it did in Shanghai last March when equally vigorous efforts by police and gendarmes were made to stop it.

One result of the drive to stop black marketing has been the retention by holders of foreign currencies and gold bars until such time as black market dealing is safer.

Legally, gold and foreign currencies can be sold only through Government banks at established rates. The government's open market rate for the American dollar was C\$55.300, to US\$1.00 yesterday and for the Hong Kong dollar 10,000 to 1. In each case the black market rate was about 15 per cent higher.

**Speculators**  
Government spokesmen blamed speculators for running up the black market rates and claimed that the Government's open market rate represents the true value of Chinese national currency. This is the same argument put forth in the large Shanghai money market from time to time but dealers point out that it never prevented black market dealing when the black market offered substantially more than the Government banks.

Meanwhile, the fall in value of Chinese currency has had the usual effect on commodity prices. During the past several days top grades rice rose from C\$275,000 to C\$320,000 per picul. Prices of imported goods increased about 10 per cent during the same period.—Associated Press.

### Florida Flooded

Miami, Fla., Oct. 14. Flood waters poured through a dozen South Florida cities, choked the Everglades and lay deep over the thousands of acres of rich agricultural lowlands today.

The deluge of water had made thousands homeless. Other thousands are awaiting evacuation from areas still threatened.

The authorities estimated that it would be four months before the waters would subside.

Damage figures rose hourly as Florida feared the worst weather disaster in its entire history. The chief damage caused by the flood waters was to crops. Estimates ranged from US\$20,000,000 to US\$40,000,000 for crops alone.

The action, however, hit production most of the world's winter vegetables.—Reuter.

### Hong Kong Airways

The composition of the Board of Directors of Hong Kong Airways was officially announced yesterday. The members are: Hon. D. F. Lanfale (Chairman), Messrs. Lee Hsiao-woo, N. J. C. Marsh, J. A. D. Morrison and A. D. Bennett.

In the initial stages, British Overseas Airways Corporation have financed operations, but it is intended to offer participation to local investors.

Services flights to Shanghai and Canton will be carried out in the near future upon the completion of which three services weekly to Shanghai and three services daily to Canton will start.

### LONDON "WILDCAT" STRIKE

London, Oct. 14. Some 1,600 cold storage workers along the Thames went out on a wildcat strike today which threatened to spread to some 4,000 dock workers and choke off most of London's food supplies.

Strikers from 13 Thames depots and wharves of the Union Cold Storage Company defied officials of the Transport and General Workers' Union after months of futile negotiations aimed at boosting their pay arrangements.

The men, who get a basic salary of £5 8s., claim that other companies pay a higher bonus and are demanding parity.

Although their strike has not yet affected meat, fruit and fish supplies coming into London it is considered certain that if the dispute is not resolved shortly food supplies would be hard hit by the spread of the strike to 4,000 sympathising dock and storage workers.—United Press.

### ARMY OBJECTS

New York, Oct. 13. President Truman has run into strong opposition in Congress and the Army against the use of regular United States troops "to help police the partition of Palestine," according to a New York Times report from Lake Success today.

Senator Vandenberg, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, has questioned whether President Truman has the authority of Congress, and the joint Chiefs of Staff are known to have recommended against the use of United States troops to implement partition, the paper wrote.—Reuter.

### TRANS-PACIFIC RECORD

Sydney, Oct. 14. The first of four "Constellation" planes purchased by the United States landed here today after breaking the trans-Pacific record on the delivery flight.

The plane took 40 hours and 20 minutes from San Francisco. The previous best time was 48 hours.

The new plane will go on the Sydney-London run, making the first trip probably in December.—Associated Press.

### NANKING TO BUY BLOCKED GOODS

Nanking, Oct. 14. The Executive Yuan has decided the Government would offer to purchase about US\$40,000,000 worth of goods blocked at Shanghai and other Chinese ports by import restrictions.

Owners of these goods, most of which were ordered or were en route to China before the promulgation of the restrictions which now bar their normal entry, were given 60 days in which to re-export their goods or sell them to the Government.

A spokesman said the Yuan will not prohibit re-export of these goods to Hong Kong despite the insistence of some officials that they are likely to find their way back to China illegally if re-exported to Hong Kong.—Associated Press.

Seattle, Oct. 14. Declaring that it is "highly probable" that the signing of the American Constitution "intended to license abuse and destruction of our domestic privileges by an unscrupulous minority," National Commander James C. Mahaffey of the American Legion last night proposed that the United States outlaw the Communist Party and its organs and deport aliens who adhere to Communism.

He called for a "National Day of Mourning" for the American Legion and for a "National Day of Mourning" for the American Legion and for a "National Day of Mourning" for the American Legion.

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### Royal Family Adopts Lepers

London, Oct. 13. The King and Queen and Princess Elizabeth are each to adopt a leper child for whose medical care and education they will be responsible, it was announced tonight at the Royal World Premiere of the film "Uncle Silas" in London in aid of the British Empire Leprosy Relief Association.

The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester, who attended the premiere, are also adopting leper children.

For £5 a child can be adopted to a settlement for treatment and education. There are many thousands of children awaiting adoption and the Association is launching a widespread campaign to increase its funds for this purpose.—Reuter.

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### Garage Dwellers Given One Month To Get Out

People occupying basements and basement garages in Austin Road, Hillwood Road and Kimberley Road will have to vacate before the end of the month, otherwise they and the owners will be prosecuted.

Yesterday's Urban Council meeting rejected an application for an extension of six months (as from September) to move out of the basements and basement garages in the three roads.

Moving that the application be refused, Dr. J. P. Fehily, Chairman of the Council, said that it had received the most careful consideration but Health Officers and members of the Select Committee had unanimously decided to oppose the grant of any extension of time.

Dr. Fehily explained that it was only because of the difficulties of securing alternative accommodation were very fully appreciated that, in March, the Select Committee recommended that no legal action should be taken against the owners and occupiers of these basements for a period of three months.

The applicants for basement permits, who were given only three months' grace as from March, owing to specially bad conditions, complied with the Council's notice to quit.

Dr. Fehily added: "Perhaps, I should add that some owners and landlords are under the erroneous impression that they are in no way responsible for the use of basements for habitation, etc., if they do not collect rents from the tenants or occupiers of such basements."

"For their benefit, I should like to point out that to suffer or permit a basement to be used for habitation or as a shop, etc., without the written permission of the Council, is a contravention of Section 60 of the Public Health (Sanitation) Ordinance of 1936, notwithstanding the fact that no rent is received."

**Basement Permits**  
The position in Victoria is more complicated than in Hong Kong as hundreds of basement permits were issued by the Council before the Pacific War and, unfortunately, the Regulations were lost during the occupation of the Colony.

"However, for several months past, Health Inspectors and Officers have been carrying out an exhaustive survey of the basement position in Hong Kong and the members of the Basements Select Committee will shortly visit typical examples of the various types of basements in different areas in Hong Kong."

"I move that this application be refused and that the owners and occupiers of the basements to question be informed that they will be prosecuted if the basements are not vacated before the end of this month."

**PEARL HARBOUR  
THE SITE?**  
New York, Oct. 14. Australian Foreign Minister Herbert V. Evatt said today that he had suggested that the site of the Japanese peace conference "should be some Pacific port, and the obvious first choice is Pearl Harbour."—Associated Press.

### China Relief Goods Sold For Munitions

Everything sent to China for relief — cotton, food and medicine — was sold to buy munitions, General Feng Yu-hsiang, China's "Christian General," declared here today.

General Feng, who is a member of the Kuomintang Central Committee, told a press conference that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's prosecution of the civil war was driving whole Nationalist divisions over to the Chinese Communists.

He himself, a non-Communist, General Feng is in the United States on a Chinese Government mission.

In the past he had revolved against Chiang but he has too much popular appeal to be handled crudely and therefore Nanking is paying him to "study American water power projects" which keeps him out of China.

General Feng told newsmen that any reconstruction loan from the United States would be used only for munitions. He explained that the Government has been fighting with supplies left by the American forces or with munitions bought by selling relief supplies and that the Red armies were supplied by Government deserters.

Reporting that Generalissimo Shu-shan and Chao Shao-shan went over with their whole divisions to the Reds, Gen. Feng said "How can you expect the Government troops to win if the commanders themselves go over to the Reds?"

The civil war would end, he added, only when America decided to stop supplying the Reds.

### Civil Liberties Debated

London, Oct. 13. The National Council of Civil Liberties in Britain has inaugurated sub-committees to report on racial discrimination, anti-Semitism, discrimination on grounds of sex, and the freedom of the press.

A source close to the Government said that the Government's proposed plan of payment will take into consideration the cost of the goods, transportation charges, insurance, and in addition, allow a 10 per cent profit to the owners.

The payments will be spread over three years. After the initial instalment payments will be made in three instalments.

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# LABOUR USING SOFT PEDAL Nationalisation Programme Postponed

## Economic Blockade Demanded

New York, 14. Senator Brien McMahon, ranking member of the joint Congressional committee on atomic energy, declared in a speech today that the United States will make decisions in the next year "which will determine the kind of world that will exist for the next two centuries."

"The United States might save Western Europe and Asia from economic ruin in a few years in a third and final war unless ways and means are found to get weapons of mass destruction under control," Senator McMahon warned.

He called for enforcement of a law prohibiting the shipment of certain essential machinery for atomic production outside the United States.

Senator McMahon said the United States must undoubtedly consider the advisability of imposing an economic blockade to match Russia's iron curtain and scrap to the Japanese—and get it back with interest expensively compounded.—United Press.

## Attack On A New Front

Lake Success, Oct. 14. Soviet delegate A. Arutunian told the UNO today that "there is danger that the International Bank and Fund will become branches of Wall Street," and "carry out discrimination against certain nations."

He said such a trend now is "apparent" in the foreign policy of the United States.

The Russian charged, among other things, that the International Bank is favouring the Indonesians. He told the General Assembly Committee on Economics, that Russia, although not a member of the Bank or Fund, would like to see the draft agreements with those two agencies sent back to the 18-nation Economic and Social Council for revision.—Associated Press.

## "TOO MUCH U.S. CONTROL"

Berlin, Oct. 13. Mr. Austin Albo, deputy president of the Governmental sub-commission of the British Control Commission of Germany, said to be "quitting because of the growing American control," left for London this morning for a fortnight's stay.

He has been known to have said that he was "not likely to be here after the end of the year."—Reuter.

## Hollywood Actor Boycotted

Budapest, Oct. 13. Union employees of the Hungarian film industry decided today to boycott Clark Gable's films on the grounds that Gable was a leader of a Hollywood move to brand actor Charles Chaplin as a Communist sympathiser.

The Hungarian Union voted to boycott all other American actors "who are Fascists, or who take part in the Imperialist movement in the United States."

Gable, the Trade Union declared, has been a leader of the anti-Soviet campaign in Hollywood as a result of which the Congressional committee on un-American activities has summoned 40 actors, directors, and writers—including Chaplin and Miss Dorothy Parker—to appear for questioning some time after the committee resumes its meetings on Oct. 20.

## "JANE"



## Cabinet Talks On Legislation

London, Oct. 13. The legislative programme for the Parliamentary session opening on Oct. 24 will be drafted tomorrow at a meeting of the Cabinet.

While the interim budget that the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Hugh Dalton, has drawn up as a check upon inflationary trends will be the chief subject for consideration, there are a number of other items that will be gone over carefully by the Ministers.

It is a foregone conclusion that the Government will decide to "soft pedal" the nationalisation progress in the approaching session.

There is an even chance that nationalisation of the gas industry will be presented to the House of Commons, but the taking over of the iron and steel industry, scheduled for the same session, has been pushed into the background.

The Labour Party considers that it had fought its chief battle to put off nationalisation of steel at the Trades Union Congress in Southampton last month when it won support of that all-powerful Labour body for a delay on the steel programme.

With this endorsement, the Cabinet will have few qualms about postponement.

## Colonies

The Labour Government's nationalisation timetable has been upset by the present crisis, and the moderates in the Cabinet have insisted that efforts to take over now such a major and diversified industry will retard rather than promote the "cover drive."

The Prime Minister, Mr. Attlee, is said to favour this view.

At least three major measures, besides the budget, are considered certain to be earmarked for prompt attention.

One of the earliest measures to be introduced is expected to be that which will give independence to Burma.

A second measure of considerable interest to those concerned with the development of natural resources within the Empire is the bill to develop the Colonies as a source of raw materials.

## Criminal Law

The Government has proposed a £100,000,000 Government corporation to finance and supervise production in the colonies of rice, tea and other similar products that are in short supply here and throughout the world.

A bill calling for reform of the criminal law and for abolition of flogging as a criminal punishment is understood to be ready for introduction.

Flogging at present is usually reserved for criminals convicted of robbery with violence. A number of legislators have also advocated that hanging be abolished for an experimental period. This will be put to a free vote of the House if it arises.—Reuter.

## Thousands Queue To See Roses

Stockport, Oct. 14. Thousands queued today in a quarter-mile long line stretching across a field and up a hillside to see a crown of sea roses on an image of the Virgin Mary.

A chaplet of tea roses was placed on the image last May 4 and Father James Turner, parish priest of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, said the same chaplet is still there and fresh although other flowers placed in the church died within a week.

He intimated that 10,000 persons had filed through the church today to see the reported phenomenon and said the crowd of the curious was almost as big as the previous day's.

Father Turner repeated a previous assertion that the spectacle is above and beyond nature but added "I can't say it's a miracle."

He said he had not yet sent a message to His Holiness the Pope about the incident and its circumstances.—Associated Press.

## EIRE STRIKE THREAT

Dublin, Oct. 14. Union leaders threatened today a strike of all the 10,000 Irish railway workers unless demands for higher wages are met.—Associated Press.

## Moscow Becoming Fantastical

London, Oct. 14. The Moscow radio last night broadcast what was described as a letter from Russian mothers saying that the British were holding Soviet children in "slavery" in Germany and demanding that the children be returned.

The British Foreign Office, which last week announced that four Russian-claimed children had been repatriated, commented that British authorities were still investigating names submitted in a formal Soviet demand for the return of children the Germans took from Latvia in 1944.

The broadcast letter was credited to Zinaida Mozharova and Elena Zakhvalova, mothers of two returned children. It called upon British women to "demand" of your military authorities in Germany that all Soviet children... be returned without delay to their country and their parents."

The letter repeated Moscow press and radio allegations that the children were held in "slavery." It said that the children recently sent back to Russia from Germany had been "browbeaten," "frightened" and "taught to hate everything Russian" and even had forgotten the Russian language.

"The two mothers write," the Moscow announcer said, "that the favourite game taught to Soviet children... was playing war against the Russians."—Associated Press.

One of the main topics at the talks was the German problem, he said, adding that in Germany the differences between the Big Powers were being "artificially played up" at a time when emphasis should be on seeking conciliations and resolving the disagreements.—Reuter.

## 2,000 DYING A MONTH

London, Oct. 13. Over 2,000 people a month are dying in the Eastern Zone of Germany, either directly or indirectly from undernourishment, Dr. Otto Frederick Carl Dibelius, Bishop of Berlin, told Reuter in London tonight.

Dr. Dibelius is staying in London for two days on his way to New York, where he will meet representatives of the Federal Council of Churches.—Reuter.

## Moscow Dissection Of U.S. Press

Radio Moscow today dissected the American press for its listeners and charged it with playing a "special part in the warmongering campaign."

A commentary by Billbin, heard in London, asserted that "newspaper trusts and radio stations" were under the control of monopoly circles.

"A present about half of all newspapers and journals published in the United States are combined into trusts. In 25 of the largest cities of the country three millionaires own the whole of the press. Papers' policies do not correspond to the people's interests but follow the personal views and convictions of their owners."

"The American press has fallen under the influence of the most reactionary and least responsible of big business circles, Hearst, Scripps."

## EDITOR COMMITTED FOR TRIAL ON LIBEL SUMMONS

Morecambe, Lancs., Oct. 13. Mr. James Caunt, 47-year-old editor, publisher and proprietor of the newspaper "Morecambe and Heysham Visitor," was committed for trial at the next Lancashire Assizes after appearing before a magistrate's court here today on a summons of publishing seditious libel against the Jewish race in a recent article.

When hearing of the summons opened today, prosecuting counsel stated that he believed Mr. Caunt's article went to the limits prescribed by criminal law for mere controversy and "threatens to interfere with the King's peace."

Caunt, who pleaded not guilty, said that he wrote the article after seeing anti-British propaganda in a United States newspaper of photographs of the British sergeants hanged by terrorists in Palestine.

He declared that he did not think Jewish expressions of horror at the Palestine outrages were genuine and agreed that his article was intended to be unpleasant to the Jewish community.

He declared, however, that he did not intend to tell non-Jewish people that violence might be the only method the Jews would understand.

Prosecuting counsel read to the court the article in which the alleged libellous statements occurred. It declared: "The Jews, indeed, are a plague on Britain, and unless they are put in their place by the will of the people, then eventually they will do more harm to this fair Isle than 10 of the approaching economic crisis," and added: "If British Jewry is suffering today from the righteous wrath of British citizens, then they have only themselves to blame for their passive inactivity."

"Violence may be the only way to bring them to a sense of their responsibility to the country in which they live."

The editorial also asked readers to ostracise the Jewish community in every possible way.

The following week, said counsel, the paper published a second article stating: "We neither retract nor apologise for anything that appeared last week."

Replying to defence counsel, Caunt denied that by the use of the words "the will of the people," he had meant to incite the people to commit violence.

The case is being followed closely by official political quarters in London and prominent counsel are appearing on both sides.

The Jewish Board of Deputies, which looks after the interests of Britain's Jewry, had observers present.—Reuter.

## THE HIGHEST

Calco, Oct. 14. In the past 24-hour period, deaths from cholera rocketed to 112, the highest one-day mark reached in the current epidemic. Seven cases died in Calco and the remainder in the Delta provinces.—United Press.

## "Gravest Threat" Possible

London, Oct. 13. Mr. Hugh Gaitskell, Britain's new Fuel Minister, in the first published speech since his appointment last week, said today: "If in this winter the domestic consumer goes crazy and there is a runaway expansion in the electricity demand, that is going to be the gravest threat that I can see to our whole national recovery."

The gas and electricity stations must have their minimum of 13,000,000 tons of coal this year, he said. If they failed to get it and had to close down, it would mean disaster both to the householder and to industry. Any attempt to ration domestic consumers would entail nation-wide individual surveys and even then would give the Government no control over actual consumption.

Mr. Gaitskell made it clear that gas and electricity rationing for Britain had been "most carefully considered by the Government. If it had not been completely impracticable, it would have been instituted long ago. The alternative was saving."—Reuter.

## WAS ARRESTED BY RUSSIANS

Hamburg, Oct. 13. The mysterious disappearance of Rudolph Wilsch, nephew of Hamburg's Lord Mayor, Herr Max Brauer, who vanished in the Russian Zone early in September after visiting the Leipzig Fair, has been solved.

Wilsch, a 41-year-old merchant from Kiel, was arrested on Sept. 7 by the Soviet secret police on suspicion of espionage, the State Press Office in Hamburg disclosed. He was taken to Gao in Chemnitz, but has now been released without explanation.—Reuter.

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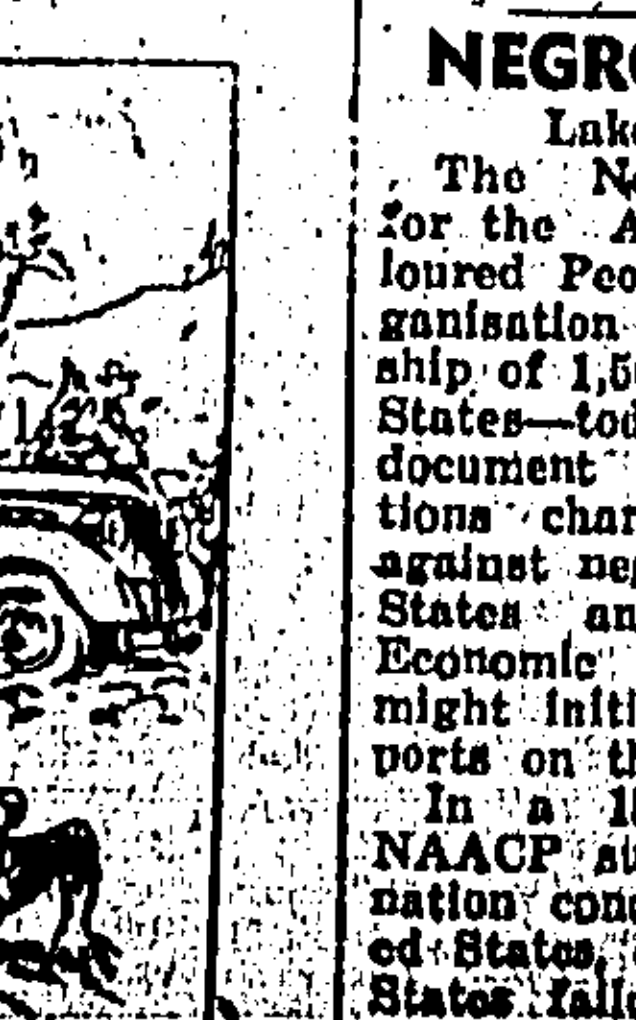
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## NEGROES ACCUSE

Lake Success, Oct. 14. The National Association for the Advancement of Coloured Peoples—a negro organisation claiming a membership of 1,500,000 in the United States—today submitted a document to the United Nations charging discrimination against negroes in the United States and suggesting the Economic and Social Council might initiate studies and reports on the subject.

In a 150-page report the NAACP summarised discrimination conditions in the United States, charging the United States failed to practice what it preached.—United Press.





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Draft Programmes and Extra  
Forms for the Ninth Extra  
Race Meeting to be held on  
Saturday, 25th October 1947  
(weather permitting) may be  
obtained at the Secretary's  
Office, Exchange Building, the  
Club House, Happy Valley; and  
the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock noon  
on Thursday, 16th October  
1947.

By Order,  
S. A. SLEAP  
Actg. Secretary.

## NOTICE

An invitation is cordially ex-  
tended to all actors, dancers,  
vocalists, instrumentalists, con-  
jurors, and artists of all, to  
attend an audition to be held in  
the West Lounge of the  
European "Y" on Thursday 16th  
October 1947 at 8 p.m. in pre-  
paration for the production of  
a Grand X'mas Revue.

THE COMMITTEE.

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### NOTICE

OF REVISION OF TIME-TABLES (ALL  
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TO OPERATE FROM HAPPY VALLEY  
TERMINUS TO KENNEDY TOWN.

COMMENCING 16th OCTOBER, 1947.

SHAUKIWAN AND WESTERN MARKET ROUTE  
3 Minute Service

| From           | To             | First Car | Last Car       |
|----------------|----------------|-----------|----------------|
| Causeway Bay   | Shaukiwan      | 5.59 a.m. | 12.08 a.m.     |
| Causeway Bay   | Western Market | 6.00 a.m. | 12.00 midnight |
| Shaukiwan      | Western Market | 6.19 a.m. | 11.40 p.m.     |
| Western Market | Shaukiwan      | 6.22 a.m. | 11.48 p.m.     |
| Shaukiwan      | Causeway Bay   | —         | 12.28 a.m.     |
| Western Market | Causeway Bay   | —         | 12.23 a.m.     |

CAUSEWAY BAY AND WHITTY STREET ROUTE  
2 Minute Service

| From          | To            | First Car | Last Car   |
|---------------|---------------|-----------|------------|
| Causeway Bay  | Whitty Street | 6.00 a.m. | 11.23 p.m. |
| Whitty Street | Causeway Bay  | 6.30 a.m. | 11.53 p.m. |

HAPPY VALLEY TO WHITTY STREET and KENNEDY TOWN  
3 Minute Service

| From          | To           | First Car | Last Car       |
|---------------|--------------|-----------|----------------|
| Happy Valley  | Kennedy Town | 6.00 a.m. | 11.24 p.m.     |
| Kennedy Town  | Happy Valley | 6.30 a.m. | 12.00 midnight |
| Whitty Street | Happy Valley | —         | 12.06 a.m.     |

Between Causeway Bay and Whitty Street, the above  
time-tables now provide a service frequency of less than One  
Minute.

W. F. SIMMONS  
General Manager

14th. October, 1947.

## NOTICE

All Firms, Government Offices, Schools, Clubs  
and Hospitals, please note that Dollar Directory  
forms for the 1948 edition should be corrected  
and completed as soon as possible, and returned  
to the "CHINA MAIL" Office, Windsor House,  
without delay.

# RUSSIA BACKS PARTITION Jews Cannot Be Denied Right To Own State

## Cassino On Strike

Cassino, Oct. 14.  
Cassino, the most war-de-  
vastated town in Italy, went on  
a general strike today in protest  
against the Government's de-  
cision severing two counties from  
its borough and the delay in re-  
building the once-prosperous  
city, pulverized by bombs and  
shells.

Thirty thousand survivors of  
the razed city demonstrated  
through debris-filled streets and  
before the reconstructed City  
Hall. The Mayor said that in  
spite of his protests, the Govern-  
ment was carrying out its dis-  
memberment of the borough of  
Cassino and that its seat had  
been transferred to another  
town.

The people of Cassino passed  
a resolution to send a delegation  
to Rome tomorrow and demand  
that Premier Alcide de Gasperi  
and the Minister of the Privy  
Seal restore to Cassino its pre-  
war administrative importance.  
—United Press.

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port.

Fee: \$10.00 per month.

Non British students may be  
accepted if accommodation is  
available.

Application Forms (E) can  
now be obtained from the  
Technical College, Wood Road,  
Wanchai, or the Education Office,  
3rd Floor, Windsor House.

Completed forms must be re-  
turned to me at the Technical  
College by 21st October, 1947.

G. WHITE,  
Principal.

Hong Kong, 13th Oct., 1947.

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dard, and should be British  
subjects.

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now be obtained from the  
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Wanchai, or the Education Office,  
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Hong Kong, 13th Oct., 1947.

## NOTICE

As from 15th October 1947  
Mr. A.E. Wong has been appoint-  
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## Palestine Report Supported

Lake Success, Oct. 13.  
The Jews cannot be denied the right to create  
their own State in Palestine, M.S.K. Tsarap-  
kin, of Russia, told the United Nations Pale-  
stine Committee tonight.  
Russia supported in principle the majority report  
recommendations of the United Nations Com-  
mission on Palestine—that the country should  
be partitioned between Arabs and Jews.

M. Tsarapkin, who is Coun-  
seller at the Soviet Embassy in  
Washington, said that the Pale-  
stine problem should not be ap-  
proached from the academic or  
legal points of view only.

"We are speaking here of the  
right to self-determination of  
many hundreds of thousands of  
Jews as well as Arabs living in  
Palestine—the right of the Arabs  
as well as the Jews to live freely  
and peacefully in their own  
State."

After referring to the suffer-  
ing of the Jews in Europe, M.  
Tsarapkin said: "All this ex-  
plains why the Jews arrive to  
create their own State and it  
would not be just to deny the  
Jewish people the right to fulfil  
this desire."

"The creation of a Jewish  
State is a wholly mature and  
urgent problem. One cannot  
avoid a solution to this problem  
no matter what efforts are made  
to complicate it and drown it in  
a sea of references to historical  
events going back to the depths  
of ages and even of millenniums."

### Breakdown

The Russian representative  
added: "If we clear the ques-  
tion before us of all the super-  
structure of historical and  
formally legal character stress-  
ed here by a number of  
speakers and approach a con-  
sideration of the question on a  
broad political basis, then the  
Soviet delegation is convinced  
that the Palestine problem will  
be solved."

Recent events in Palestine, M.  
Tsarapkin said, were the result  
of a breakdown of the manda-  
tory system.

The Soviet delegation agreed  
with the unanimous recommen-  
dations of the report of the  
Palestine Commission, namely:  
1.—Termination of the  
mandate as soon as possible.  
2.—Independence for Pale-  
stine as soon as possible.

### Tension

Referring to the majority and  
minority recommendations, M.  
Tsarapkin said: "Naturally the  
plan proposed by the minority  
has its advantages and qualities  
inasmuch as it is based on the  
idea of creating a single Arab-  
Jewish State in Palestine."

"However, under present cir-  
cumstances, relations between  
Arabs and Jews have already  
worsened and have reached such  
a state of tension that concilia-  
tion has become impossible and  
the minority proposal cannot be  
put into practice."

"Because of this, we have to  
turn to the majority plan which  
provides for the partition of  
Palestine into two independent  
States as this plan is, under pre-  
sent circumstances, one which  
could better be put into prac-  
tice,"—Reuter.

## Three-Minute Report To The Nation

London, Oct. 13.  
The Labour Government carried its appeal for  
more productivity in the present national  
crisis to the public today in the first of a series  
of front-page advertisements in the daily  
newspapers of the country.

In a space two-columns wide  
and 10 inches deep on the front  
page of the Evening News an  
advertisement was headed: "A  
three-minute report to the na-  
tion."

"Every fortnight—pin it up and  
talk it over."

The text of the advertisement  
tells in simple language the fact  
that Britain has overspent  
£200,000,000 in three months.  
Britain's plight, the text con-  
tinues: "Is exactly like a family  
spending £10 for every £9 it  
earns."

This national problem is, a  
personal problem for every one  
of us, the advertisement con-  
tinues. "Every family has been  
consuming goods that have not  
been paid for by the nation's  
production, and its exports.  
Every family must go short for  
a time."

An illustration shows a house-  
wife "Mrs Britain" before a  
grocer's counter. The grocer,  
labelled "Overspenders' Trader,"  
has placed 10 items on the counter,  
six of them, to one side.

The grocer is saying: "You're  
paying for those six—but what  
about these four?"

At intervals throughout the  
text, are bold-faced lines stating  
"Longer and more will turn the  
tide,"—Reuter.

## NEXT BEST TO PRINCE CHARMING

Bucharest, Oct. 14.  
The Romanian press is giving  
considerable space to the for-  
thcoming wedding of Princess  
Elizabeth and Lieut. Philip  
Mountbatten, although there is  
no indication in Palace circles in  
Bucharest whether any Royal  
guests will attend.

Lieut. Mountbatten, according  
to one newspaper, is the "next  
best thing to Prince Charming in  
a world full of political tension  
and ration cards,"—Associated  
Press.

## Talks On Germany Stalemated

Berlin, Oct. 14.  
The four-power discussions in Berlin are virtually  
stalemated and are awaiting action by the For-  
eign Ministers on a higher level, the monthly  
report of the American Military Governor,  
Gen. Lucius D. Clay, disclosed when released  
today.

## Dispute Over Repats

Teheran, Oct. 14.  
The repatriation of Armenians  
from Persia to Soviet Armenia,  
over which Russia and Persia  
have been at odds, has been  
suspended because of the oncom-  
ing winter weather, Armenian  
official quarters announced here  
today.

Moscow agreed to receive 20,  
000 repatriates this year out of  
the 97,000 Armenians in Persia  
who registered to leave, but re-  
cently the Soviet Consulate here  
declared that Persia had refused  
to permit their departure.

The consulate, warning the  
Persian Government that, unless  
it changed its attitude within a  
month, the quotas would be  
cancelled, said that 9,000  
Armenians had collected in  
Teheran and Isfahan, and were  
facing starvation.

Abraham Kadje-Nuri, Persian  
Director General of Propaganda,  
denied that his Government re-  
stricted their movement to Rus-  
sia, —Reuter.

## New Zealand And Samoa

Lake Success, Oct. 14.  
The United Commission to  
Western Samoa today un-  
animously recommended the  
creation of a "Government of  
Western Samoa" under New  
Zealand administration in a re-  
port submitted to the Trustee-  
ship Council.

The report suggested that the  
Government include a New  
Zealand representative as High  
Commissioner to serve as  
Chairman of the supreme body  
of the proposed Government,  
and that the legislative as-  
sembly, in which Samoans had  
absolute majority and real  
powers of legislation be es-  
tablished.

The New Zealand Government  
should continue as the adminis-  
trating authority under the  
trusteeship system and should  
have reserved to it powers over  
external relations, defence, cur-  
rency, loan and control of  
foreign exchange.

The High Commissioner should  
have the right of veto on the  
legislative assembly measures,  
but the report asked that it be  
exercised sparingly and that in-  
stances of its actual use be re-  
ported to the Trusteeship Coun-  
cil, —Reuter.

## Ambassador Walks Out In A Bad Temper

Teheran, Oct. 13.  
The Soviet Ambassador to Teheran, M. Ivan.  
Sadchikov, was reported today in the news-  
paper Ghaml-Iran to have walked out on the  
Persian Premier, M. Gavarn Es-Sultaneh, on  
Saturday after failing to persuade him to put  
the Russo-Persian oil agreement to the Majlis  
(Parliament) immediately.

The newspaper said the Amba-  
sador insisted that there "must be no  
changes in the agreed terms" nor  
further delay in ratifying the agree-  
ment of April, 1946, under the terms  
of which a Russo-Persian oil com-  
pany would be formed for exploiting  
the northern provinces' oilfields.

The Premier is reported to have  
asked M. Sadchikov to have patience  
and to have said that he had an  
obligation to discuss the matter not  
only with members of Parliament  
and his own Democratic Party, but in  
other important quarters.

The newspaper hinted that these  
other "important quarters" were the  
United States and British Embassies.  
With that, said the paper, M.  
Sadchikov got up and walked out,  
violently protesting.

On Oct. 5, the Premier announced  
he would submit a detailed report  
to the Majlis on the project for es-  
tablishment of a joint oil company,  
in which the Russians initially would  
control 51 per cent of the stock. The  
agreement was signed by Gavarn  
Es-Sultaneh during the time of the  
Soviet army occupation of Azerbai-  
jan, —Reuter.

## SHOOTING CASE PROTEST

Moscow, Oct. 14.  
The official Soviet news  
agency Tass said today that  
Russia had protested formally  
to Chile against a gunfire at-  
tack upon the Soviet Embassy  
in Santiago as a "shocking in-  
fringement upon diplomatic  
immunity."

Tass said that the Vice-Min-  
ister of Foreign Affairs, J. A.  
Malkin, had informed the Chilean  
Ambassador here that the in-  
cident last Friday could have  
happened only "as a result of  
an unrelenting campaign in-  
imal to the Soviet Union being  
conducted in Chile, and not meet-  
ing with resistance on the side  
of the Chilean Government,"—  
Associated Press.

## "TERROR REGIME"

Caracas, Oct. 14.  
The Venezuela Constituent  
Assembly today announced the  
Government of Paraguay as "a  
regime of usurpation and terror"  
and a "menace to the democratic  
stability of the continent."

The measure said the recent  
Paraguay revolution failed be-  
cause of the pressure of "reac-  
tionary forces," —Associated  
Press.

## MOST UNPOPULAR

Jerusalem, Oct. 14.  
Abdel Rahman Azzam Pasha,  
Secretary General of the seven  
nation Arab League, made this  
comment today on United States  
backing for the partition of  
Palestine: "America is now the  
most unpopular country in the  
Middle East, and is taking steps  
to make herself more so,"—As-  
sociated Press.

## Dangerous Shortage Of Scientists

Washington, Oct. 14.  
The shortage of scientists in  
the United States is so acute it  
"is dangerous" to the nation's  
security, Presidential assistant  
John R. Steelman reported today.  
He estimated the number of  
scientists at 337,000.

How many more are needed  
cannot even be guessed, the de-  
mand is so heavy, he said.  
Steelman said the United States  
declined to defer science  
students from military service  
during the war and otherwise  
curtailed its training pro-  
gramme, while Russia and Brit-  
ain "were sharply increasing  
their training programmes for  
scientists. In the light of the ef-  
fect of the draft policy in con-  
tributing to the present shortage,  
the wisdom of the decision  
seems dubious," — Associated  
Press.

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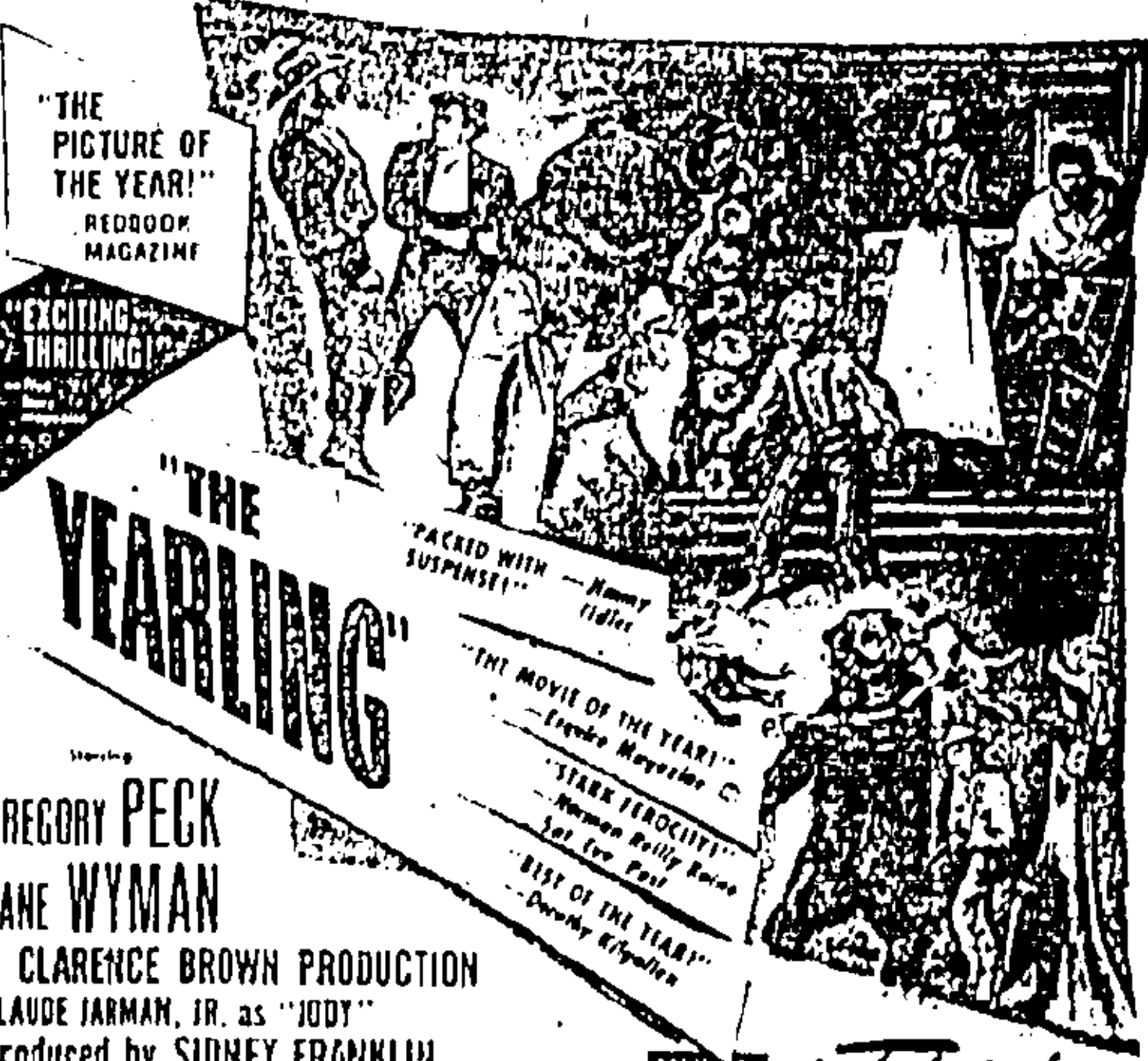
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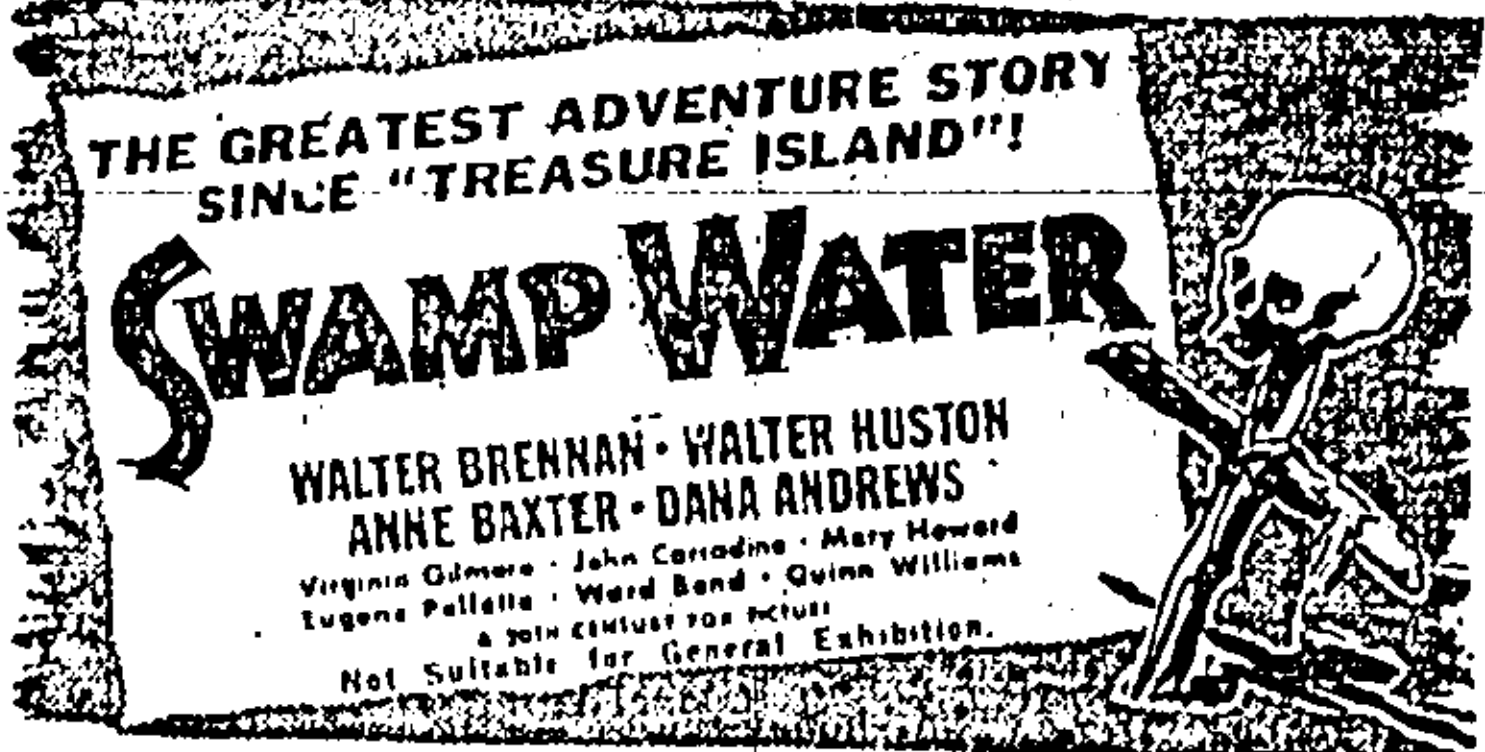
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# Nanking Criticises Lord Ammon's Remarks

## 'Why Blame China?'

Nanking, Oct. 14. China's river navigation and coastal shipping protection policy lines up with the policies which are being strictly followed by other nations throughout the world. It is not a selfish "closed door policy" as Lord Ammon, the leader of the British Parliamentary Mission, had claimed at a press interview last week.

This is the unanimous opinion of four Ministers—the Ministers of Economic Affairs, International Trade Affairs, the Legislative Yuan and the Bank of China.

All agreed that Lord Ammon over-emphasised British commercial interests in China and was completely oblivious to China's needs for the protection of her own inland waterways and coastal shipping.

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Dr. Lo said that the restrictions introduced since the end of the war were not intended to freeze foreign shipping or trade from China, but were designed for China's growing shipping needs.

"Foreign merchants call this unfair discrimination," Dr. Lo added, "but it is China taking to herself the things that are hers."

Dr. Lo Tung-sun admitted that China reaped a poor reward for the present policy but added that this is principally due to the lack of Chinese shipping, poor harbour facilities and the shortage of trained crews.

Dr. Lo stated that the present policy would be upheld by the Chinese Government, adding that the China Shipping Guild would strongly oppose any reversal of the arrangements which would put river and coastal navigation into foreign hands again.

Both the Government and the Guild maintain that such a step would be detrimental to the interests of China.

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A source close to the Ministry of Economic Affairs admitted that British freight charges and facilities are much cheaper and better than China's, but added that China would be unable to trade in British territorial waters even if China had the necessary shipping.

"Why then blame China? What appears to be unilateral discrimination is not the case, as British commercial interests know only too well."

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## COMPENSATION CLAIMS

Owners of motor-vehicles which were requisitioned by Government or the military in December 1941 and in consequence, imagined themselves to occupy a special position in the matter of compensation for loss, have undoubtedly suffered a sharp shock in the repudiation of liability disclosed in official correspondence last week. The fact that a Government spokesman has since explained that the rejection of the claim was not so much a decision as a statement of the legal position hardly serves to modify the sense of ill-usage. Ordinary equity would seem to support the argument that if Government takes over the property of the individual in the exercise of compulsory powers and that as a result it is lost or destroyed, compensation must be due to the owner. Unfortunately, the legal interpretation of the relevant Orders—which were compiled in London, required to be made effective in Hong Kong, and were in fact applicable to all parts of the Empire—is that the protection which owners of property thought was afforded them under the compensation provisions was, in fact, illusory. The provisions were heavily weighted in favour of the requisitioning authority, whatever impression to the contrary may have been, intentionally or otherwise, conveyed. It appears, indeed, that the fate of the vehicle or the house was a matter of indifference, and that the limit of official liability in practice is rent or hire for the period of operations, in this case, exactly seventeen days. Apparently this limitation can only be dismissed in cases where it can be shown that the nature of Government usage was directly responsible for the loss or destruction: as for instance, a specific order to destroy the property in order to prevent it falling into the hands of an enemy. In the case of a house requisitioned as an artillery observation post, should it have drawn enemy artillery action and been thereby destroyed, Government or the War Office would be held liable, though curiously enough if the enemy's range was poor and the house next door took the brunt, the owner of the neighbouring house would have no claim. "Special jeopardy" therefore has a clear enough meaning, though one that offers small consolation to the car-owner who neither knew nor had means of knowing the use to which his vehicle was put after he had responded to the demand for its surrender to Government. It is for this reason, particularly, that resentment is displayed at what is regarded as evasion by the Government of a strong moral obligation. How far this argument can be supported seems, however, doubtful. The objective view must accept the contention that once the Government began to assume responsibility, to meet substantial claims on moral grounds alone, there would be no end to them. Indeed, the person who had no car, but merely lost his home, his furniture and his valuables as the result of the Japanese invasion and the release of looters, finds it difficult to see any solid ground for making a distinction between one type of loss and another. In many cases, the loss of the car would have occurred whether it had been requisitioned or not; and if it was voluntarily sabotaged to prevent it from falling into the hands of the enemy, such an act of patriotic zeal could not strengthen a claim for compensation except on purely moral grounds, which Govern-

Below is the text of a sermon delivered at St. Joseph's Church by Father O'Meara on Sunday and broadcast by Z.B.W. It has provoked much comment.

## THE DUTIES OF EMPLOYERS

St. Paul in a letter to the Colossians writes: Masters, do to your servants that which is just and equal, knowing that you also have a Master in Heaven. (Col. 4.1.). This message, given in every age and clime, is especially so today and in this part of the world. During the past hundred and fifty years, there has been immense progress in the production of wealth: mechanical and commercial progress have made possible its accumulation on a scale never before attained. The distribution of that increased amount of available goods has been agitating men's minds during all this period: various experiments are being tried in different countries today, and the problem is one which divides and unsettles the human race. Modern commerce and industry came to the Far East more recently than to other lands, the social problems arising therefrom are less familiar, and governments have not yet developed that legislation which elsewhere attempts to provide machinery for more equitable distribution. Hence, the duty of assuring this falls more directly here than elsewhere, on the shoulders of those who control and own wealth and the means of producing and distributing. There may be many who read this and say that it is no message for them; they do not belong to the munificence; they are neither capitalists nor manufacturers. A personal examination of your relations with your fellow human beings will reveal to most that they have some responsibility. You may not have a great mass of workers in your direct employ, but as a Government servant, you have men under your order and have some weight in determining their rate of remuneration: as a foreman or higher official in a business concern you have similar powers: you have at least domestic help ministering to your comfort; or you may have that position from which all responsibility seems to be divorced, but from which it should not be—a shareholder in a joint-stock company.

## FIRST PRINCIPLE

The first principle on which duties to employees is based is that he is a fellow human being. If you examine his daily life and talk for a while with the worker who holds the meanest position in the social scheme, you will find that he has feelings, needs, emotions similar to your own. He is hurt by the same physical causes, is as sensitive to insult as you, he seeks a moderate comfort and the means for establishing a home, in other words, he has all the family traits which mark his employment.

He is a man and a brother. I stress these natural links which bind us to one another, because the realization of their existence has moved men to effect great, noble, and lasting reforms in their attitude to those they employ. Religion provides even stronger motives: from it we learn that all come from the Creative might of a common Father: that in His eyes all are equal: that we have in Christ a Brother and the Redeemer of all men without distinction of social class: that we shall stand before the same Judge and have the same eternal destiny. The meagre worker in a factory may in that future enjoy a place and a glory far above the man who, in life, surpassed him far in wealth and power. How can any man, in the light of these truths, consider his fellowman as a mere chattel, so much heaved and muscle to be purchased or thrown aside as if he were of no greater dignity than the dead matter he handles.

## SOCIAL FUNCTION

In the second place, we consider the duty and social function of property. The goods of this world are for the benefit of all. In the hearts of men it is written that the most effective way of using these is by assigning to each an amount that he can call his own. Natural law sanctions the distinction drawn between mine and thine. Governments are acting within their rights when they protect the institutions of private property and define the limits of its extent and punish those who infringe the rights of others. The Church recognizes the right of ownership and necessarily so, as they spring from the law of nature. But, this does not mean approval of the present distribution which has come about through the wrong use of that system. For, instead of assuring to all a fair and equitable share in the goods of the earth, an ever increasing proportion has been concentrated in the hands of the few while the multitude of workers has, by comparison, but a pittance for its share. Brain, Capital, Labour have gone to the formation of the product: each is equally necessary, and each is entitled to its share. It is the holder of capital who has the control of this distribution and he is bound in justice and humanity to see that any equitable proportion is made to his partners. He is not only the owner of the product of his business, he is the steward of all the new wealth produced, and has the duty of making certain that it fulfils its social purpose as well as securing his own profit.

## PRACTICAL STEPS

When we come to practical application of these principles, the first problem that meets us is that of wages. It is admittedly a complex one, requiring the co-operation of all concerned to resolve it in a manner satisfactory to all. The principle which a solution is to be based on, which is the basis of all making and carrying out the contract, no advantage should be taken of the economic power which circumstances may have put in the employer's hands. Nor should the desperate need of the worker be the occasion of forcing down to an inhuman minimum. This would be to act according to the ethics of the wolf-pack, where when an animal is down all the others rush in to tear and devour. It is a mistake easily made

## AN OBLIGATION

Nor is his duty ended when he has paid his men fairly. It is still required of him that he have some care of the moral and physical health of his workers. Pope Pius XI speaks of factories from which dead matter comes out transformed and perfected, while men are degraded and corrupted. While observance of the government's regulations for the safety of life and limb may meet most of the hazards which threaten the men, it will be an obligation on those responsible to see that any other measures which are needed should be taken. Moral welfare demands that the youth of different sex should not be associated in such conditions as make it difficult for them to lead a clean life: nor should it be possible for foremen and others in authority to exact privileges to which they have no right. A really day of rest should also be allowed that they may restore their physical and moral strength and perform their religious duties.

When all justice is fulfilled and the barriers to social peace removed, there still remains the need of a cordial good-will, of benevolence of charity—not alms-giving, but the genuine desire of understanding the needs of others and of doing the best we can to satisfy these. Only when there is such a spirit amongst those who hold the wealth of the community in their hands will social progress keep pace with commercial and manufacturing advance and a solid foundation be built of industrial peace. Those who by their justice and good-will show to their workers such a humane spirit will be entitled to hear from the Judge of all: "Whatever you did to the least of these, you did unto Me."

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A business pass—also known as a penalty pass—is one manoeuvre which never can be used except at a low level of the bidding. That is because an informative or taken-out double cannot be made except at a low level, any higher double being for business. The business or penalty pass is nothing more or less than a pass by the partner of a player who has doubled for a takeout, preferring to play against the doubled contract instead of bidding a suit of his own, or No Trumps, in response to the double.

South is extremely unsound when he was so short in spades, the suit his partner would have to bid. His only excuse was that he "not panicky when East passed the double. Everything he and his partner did after that was the result of the panic. There are situations in which such a double is wise. If South had bid a short suit, such as perhaps a mere three-carder, or if he had four each of spades, diamonds and hearts, or approximately those divisions, the double could have prevented a lot of punishment. But with the hand he did hold, including five cards in diamonds, he should have accepted his punishment at 1-Diamond doubled, rather than take action which was highly likely to get him at least a level higher in the bidding and in no better declaration.

South was set three tricks in the 2-No Trumps, for a loss of 300 points, whereas he should have saved at least 300 of those points playing at 1-Diamond.

## Tomorrow's Problem

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## CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Buying that prefabricated house was a mistake—my wife went home to her mother and took it with her!"

## The Struggle For Germany

By CLUCK HANDLER

The Communist offensive against the United States for the biggest prize in Europe—Germany—is being progressively intensified to create a proper "atmosphere" for the Foreign Ministers meeting in London on November 25.

Observers in Berlin believe that while world attention is focussed on the struggle for the countries on Europe's periphery, too little attention is being paid to the struggle in Germany which, the Communists properly consider the key to power and control of all Europe.

The Communists believe that whoever controls Germany can control Europe. Western Germany still possesses a steel capacity of approximately 20,000,000 tons and a potential coal production of more than 300,000,000 tons—more steel

and more coal than the rest of Europe combined, excluding Russia.

While bitterly engaged with the Anglo-Americans on the periphery of Europe, it is certain that the major battle for European power will be waged in Germany and that explains the intensive and increasingly bitter Communist campaign against the United States.

The Socialist Unity Party, representing the merger of Communists and Socialists in the Soviet zone, has apparently been chosen as the instrument for an offensive aimed at paralyzing the American and British military Governments, and early this week this party announced that it would support the offensive of the newly constituted Communist Information Centre in Belgrade.

The Unity Party is stressing the following themes to the German people:

## No Entry For Congressmen

London, Oct. 13.

The reports that more than 200 American senators and members of the House of Representatives were now abroad on investigation missions drew this statement from Moscow Radio during the night:

"This is a real invasion of Europe by an entire army of Congressmen. It is not a matter of casual trips. The delegations are even equipped in military fashion and include representatives of various arms."

The commentator referred to reports that a group of senators had intended to "drop in on the Soviet Union" and remarked: "However, they can choose some other hook for their pleasure trips. The Soviet Union holds high the banner of its State sovereignty, and does not intend to become the object of any suspicious investigations."—Reuter.

## JULIANA'S APPEAL

The Hague, Oct. 14.

Princess Juliana, acting Regent of the Netherlands, today broadcast an appeal to Dutch nursing sisters and members of the medical profession to volunteer for service in Indonesia, "where enormous numbers of Indonesians are in a most pitiful physical condition."

She especially appealed to retired or married nurses to offer their services, full or part time, to hospitals in Holland so as to free others for service in the Netherlands East Indies.

Princess Juliana also appealed to the Dutch nation to cooperate in the plan by not overburdening the medical staff with minor ailments.—Reuter.

## BERNHARD AT PALACE

London, Oct. 13.

Prince Bernhard, husband of Princess Juliana of the Netherlands, who is in London on a private visit, called at Buckingham Palace today to see Rha-

## WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC

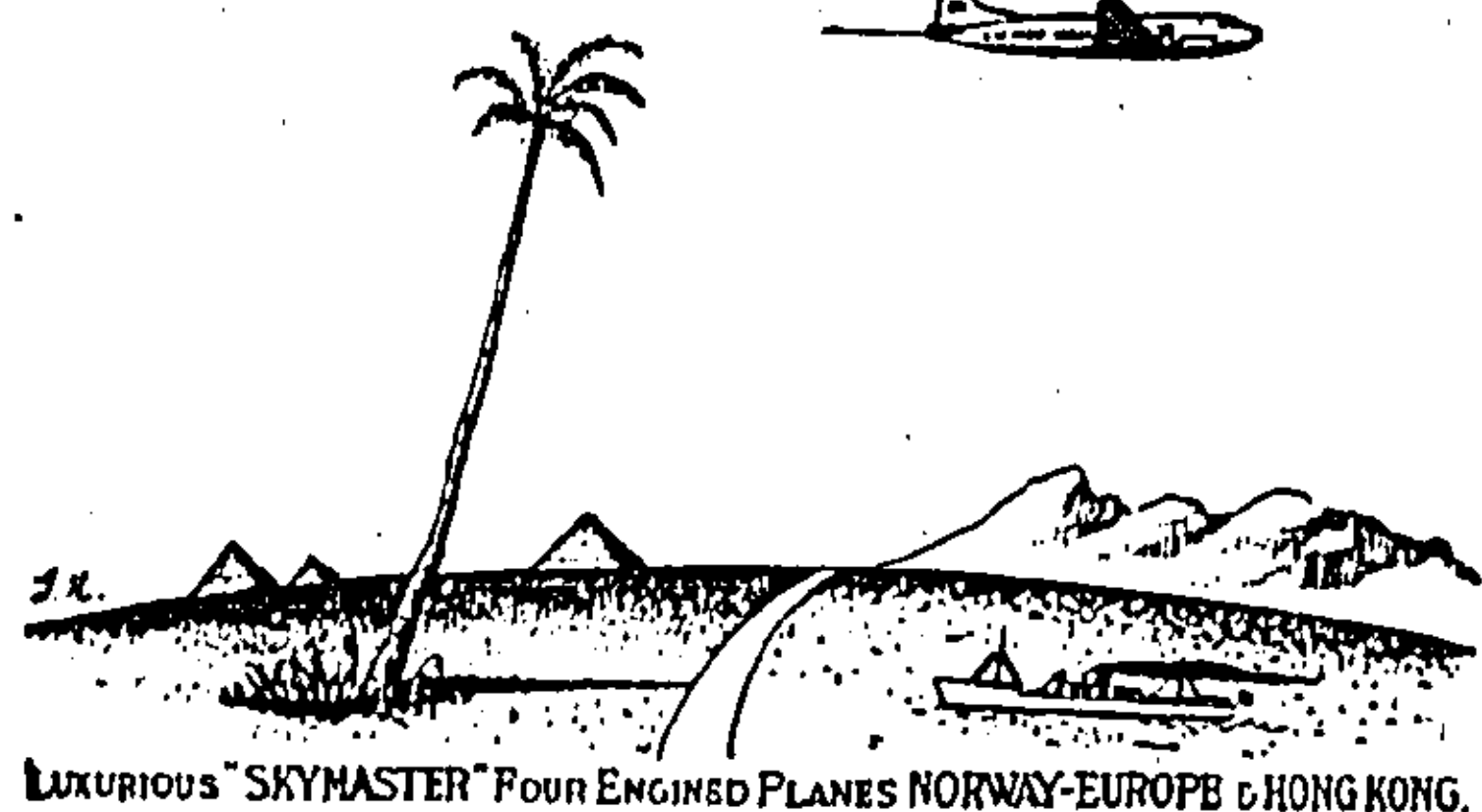
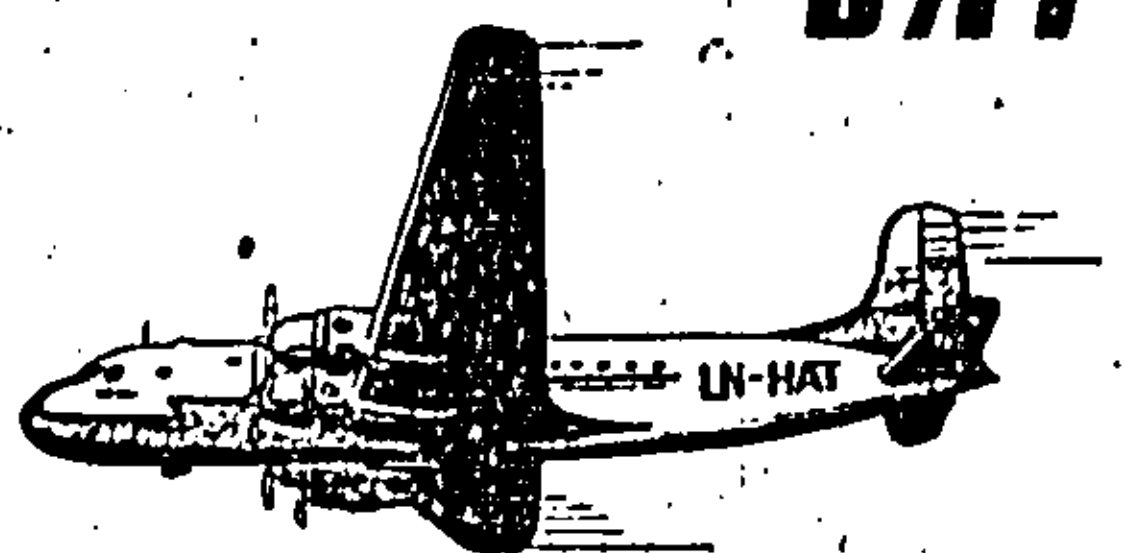
Lake Success, Oct. 14.

Russian won the "opening move" in the UNO today to stop white slave traffic in distant places. The Russians succeeded, in obtaining approval of a proposal to extend international treaties prohibiting traffic in women and children, and in observing liberty to protectorates and dependent territories of colonial empires.

Frances Patton, British delegate, objected to the Russian proposal and was supported by Mrs. Frank H. Roosevelt, American delegate. Mrs. Patton said the United Kingdom opposed including colonial territories in such treaties since "in such a move we would wish to consult with the local governments. We do not wish to compel them to accept such a move."



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## ANGLO-SOVIET CLASH IN U.N. "Irresponsible" Accusations By Ukraine Defeat Of Russian Resolution

Lake Success, Oct. 13.  
Mr. Hector McNeil (Britain) stoutly denied in the  
United Nations Political Committee today  
that Britain was contemplating any threat  
against the independence of Yugoslavia, Bul-  
garia or Albania.  
In answering M. Dmitri Manuisky (Ukraine),  
Mr. McNeil said that such accusations were  
"irresponsible."

The Committee spent most of  
the session hearing the Slav  
group, led by M. Andrei  
Vyshinsky (Russia) defending  
the Soviet resolution placing the  
entire blame for the Balkan  
troubles on the Greek Govern-  
ment and demanding the with-  
drawal of foreign troops and the  
creation of a United Nations  
Commission to supervise Am-  
erican aid to Greece.  
Mr. McNeil's statement that  
the allegations voiced by M.  
Manuisky against Britain's La-  
bour leader "showed that the  
Communists are back" brought a  
sarcastic reply from M.  
Vyshinsky, who said: "You had  
a nightmare because nine Com-  
munist parties gathered at  
Warsaw. But there is no Comin-  
tern. The Comintern had broader  
members than nine. Why take

some drug to calm your  
nerves?"  
The first section of the resolu-  
tion, on which there was voting,  
found Greece guilty of border  
incidents and the Greek Govern-  
ment's hostile policy responsible.  
It also named the Greek internal  
situation as the main cause of  
the Balkan troubles.  
The demand for withdrawal  
of foreign troops was defeated  
by 33 to 8 votes, with 16 absten-  
tions.

The proposal for a commis-  
sion to supervise United States  
aid to Greece was defeated by  
35 to six with 16 abstentions.  
The whole Russian resolution  
was defeated by 40 votes to six,  
with 11 abstentions. India and  
the Arab states abstained from  
voting on the whole resolution.  
M. Vyshinsky insisted on a  
roll call on every paragraph of  
his resolution—even on three  
portions relating to the restora-  
tion of diplomatic relations  
among the four Balkan coun-  
tries, which is the same as in  
the United States resolution al-  
ready adopted.—Reuter.

## Obituary

Sydney Webb

London, Oct. 13.  
Mr. Sydney Webb (Lord Pass-  
field) died at his home at  
Liphook in Hampshire today at  
the age of 88.  
He had consecrated the whole  
of his life to the study and  
promotion of the principles of  
State socialism.—Reuter.

Field Marshal  
Massingberd

London, Oct. 13.  
Field Marshal Sir Archibald  
Montgomery-Massingberd, who  
served in the South African  
War and was Deputy Chief of  
General Staff in India from  
1920 to 1922, died today at his  
home in Lincolnshire, aged 75.  
Sir Archibald was frequently  
described as the handsomest  
man in the British Army.  
The 1914-1918 World War  
saw him as Chief of Staff to  
Lord Rawlinson's Fourth Army,  
contributing vitally to the great  
surprise of Aug. 8, 1918, and to  
the breaking of the Hindenburg  
Line.—Reuter.

## Report On Manchuria

Nanking, Oct. 14.  
Premier Chiang Kai-shek, report-  
ing on a recent inspection trip to  
Manchuria, said today the Govern-  
ment controlled only 9.2 per  
cent of that vast territory.  
The area, he said, contained  
about 14 per cent of the popu-  
lation.  
The Premier added that de-  
spite the civil war, 27 per cent  
of Manchuria's industrial  
capacity had been restored.—  
Associated Press.



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## P.I. Military Defence Programme

Manila, Oct. 14.  
The Government will take the  
first step soon in putting through the  
military defence programme for  
training a reserve citizen army of  
about 300,000 officers and men.  
A programme has been laid out to  
train a civilian reserve force of one  
division yearly for the first two years,  
because of the present stringent  
financial status of the government.  
In the third or fourth year the num-  
ber of men trained would be doubled.  
The period of military training  
would be extended from six months  
to ten to have soldiers of a better  
calibre.—United Press.

## TUNISIA FLOODS

Algiers, Oct. 13.  
Twelve people were today re-  
ported dead and 1,000 home-  
less after heavy rains had  
flooded the countryside round  
Sousse, Tunisia, to a  
depth of three and a half feet.  
At Quidja, Northwest Mofor-  
tuary deaths were reported  
after the waters.—Reuter.

## NO INVITE FOR WINDSOR

London, Oct. 13.  
The Duke of Windsor's  
secretary stated today that  
the Duke and Duchess of  
Windsor had not received in-  
vitations to Princess Eliza-  
beth's wedding next month.  
The Duke of Windsor is at  
present in Britain, staying  
with Queen Mary at her  
London home.  
The Duchess is in Paris.—  
Reuter.

## Censorship Revived In China

Nanking, Oct. 14.  
The Chinese Government yes-  
terday decreed the enforcement  
of wartime mail and telegraph  
censorship in all active war  
areas and cities under martial  
law.  
The announcement by Teng  
Yu-eh, deputy Director of the  
Chinese Government Information  
Office, said the revived censorship  
gives discretionary power to  
local authorities, who are author-  
ized to impose censorship when-  
ever they deem it necessary.  
Teng said the censorship does  
not include press messages al-  
though the local authorities are  
permitted to read them without  
the power to excise or hold them  
up.—United Press.

## JAPANESE MILITARISM REVIVAL DANGER

Sydney, Oct. 14.  
The authority of the Japanese emperor will be  
even greater than it is now when the Ameri-  
can occupation forces are withdrawn from  
Japan, W. MacMahon Ball, resigned former  
member of the Allied Council, said in the sec-  
ond and concluding article in Monday's Daily  
Telegraph.

Ball said that although Ja-  
pan has been provided with a  
legal framework of Western  
democracy there has yet been  
no important change in the  
distribution of economic power  
in the social structure or po-  
litical and religious ideas.

Ball warned that because Ja-  
pan is now demilitarized there  
is need to fear the revival of  
Japanese militarism and ag-  
gression in the future. He  
said, "In the not too distant  
future it may be felt practical  
and expedient to imitate the  
Ribbentrop-Molotov pact and  
play along with the Soviet."  
"To maintain active con-  
tinuous control in Japan would  
almost certainly involve a  
heavy tax on the American  
economy for there is little Ja-  
pan can give to America eco-  
nomically."

While Far Eastern peoples  
would be mutually benefited in  
giving Japan the needed raw  
materials, such an economic  
union under an unchanged Ja-  
pan "holds the seeds of a sec-  
ond co-prosperity sphere,"  
hence it must make Japan per-  
manently unwilling to make  
war. This means revolution-  
ary changes in Japan's social  
and economic system and her  
political outlook. These changes  
must come from the Japanese,  
not externally.—United Press.

## Boycott Of U.S. Agitation

Baghdad, Oct. 13.  
The official visit of the  
United States Congressional  
Committee Mission to Baghdad  
was cancelled today because  
of the protest of the Iraqi Govern-  
ment and people against United  
States Government support  
of the United Nations plan to  
partition Palestine.  
Official receptions by the  
Iraqi Government and the Uni-  
ted States Embassy have been  
cancelled, but the Congressmen  
will arrive "unofficially" in  
Baghdad tomorrow and will  
leave by air immediately for  
Teheran.  
The local press today attack-  
ed the United States attitude  
towards Palestine, urging an  
immediate boycott of Ameri-  
can goods.—Reuter.

## SEAMEN 'RESCUED'

Honolulu, Oct. 13.  
A Navy patrol boat today re-  
scued three seamen adrift on  
powerless minesweepers for 20  
days in the Pacific near tiny  
Palmyra Atoll. The Hawaiian  
Sea Frontier reported that the  
men were in good health and  
did not need medical attention.  
The patrol craft reached the  
minesweepers drifting in the sea  
440 miles east and northeast  
of Palmyra about 2 a.m. but ap-  
parently lay alongside until  
daylight before taking the men  
aboard.—United Press.

## NO BELIEF IN ADAM

London, Oct. 13.  
The Rev. A. S. Hopkinson,  
Vicar of St. Mary's Church,  
Battersea, London, said today in  
his Paris magazine: "I don't be-  
lieve there were two individual  
people called Adam and Eve  
from whom all humanity de-  
scended."—United Press.

## Australia Wants Britons

Melbourne, Oct. 13.  
Mr. Arthur Calwell,  
Minister for Immigra-  
tion, suggested here to-  
day that Britain should  
help build up Australia's  
population in return for  
food and raw materials  
she received.

He urged that 100,000 emi-  
grants should leave Britain for  
Australia each year, including  
semi-skilled and unskilled work-  
ers as well as skilled.  
"Disposal of her 10,000,000  
surplus population to the under-  
populated Dominions would dis-  
perse her demands for food and  
clothing, saving Britain from  
starvation and the Common-  
wealth from ultimate destruc-  
tion," he said.  
"If Australian unionists con-  
tinue denying themselves and  
their families food and raw ma-  
terials to help Britain, there is an  
obligation on British trade union  
leaders to help Australia build up  
her population for the defence of  
3,000,000 square miles of the  
British Commonwealth."—Reuter.

## Rally Call To Greeks

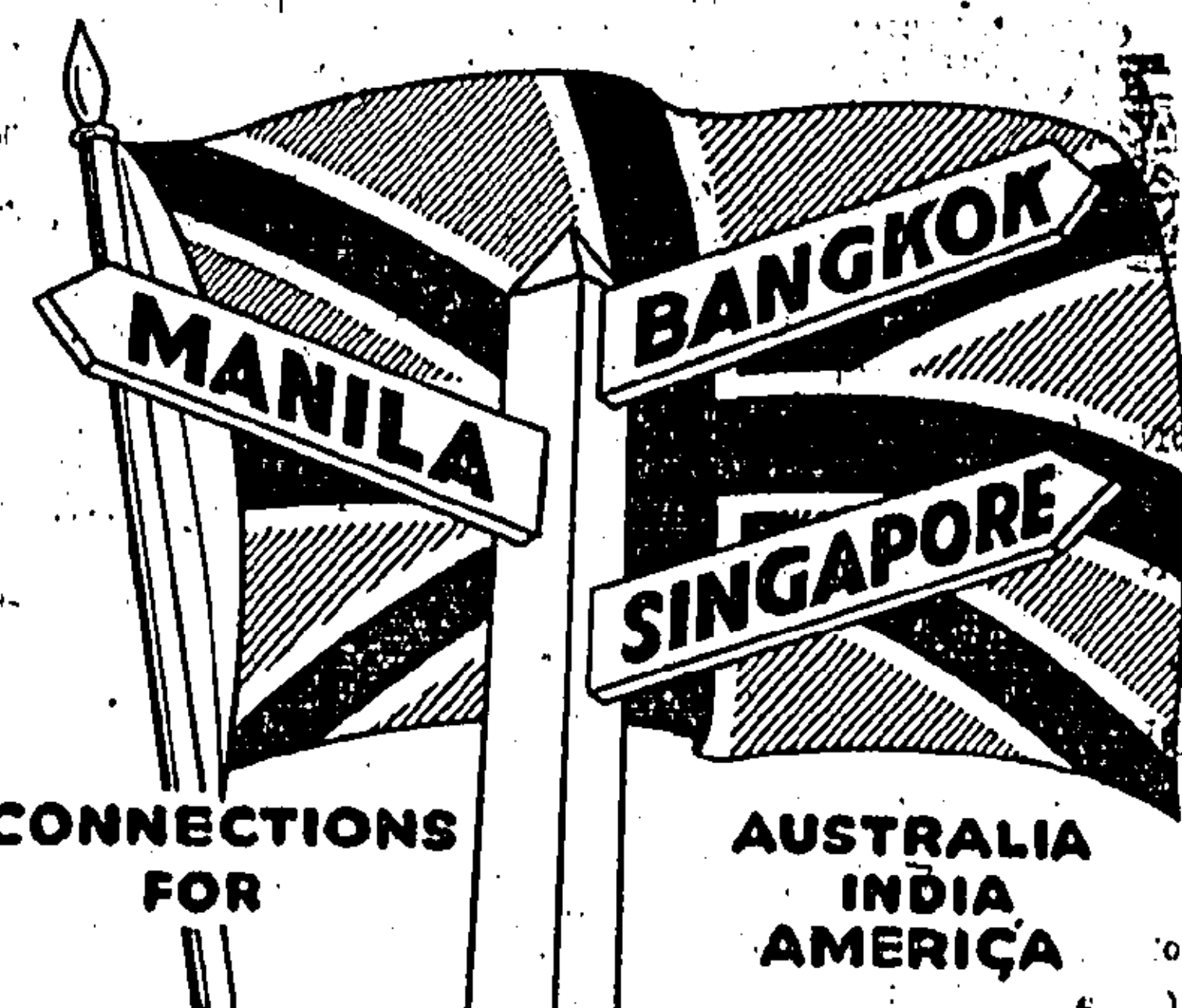
Athens, Oct. 13.  
M. Themistocles Sophoulis,  
the Greek Prime Minister  
broadcasting tonight, called on  
the Greek people to join in "a  
national rally against the  
threatened tyranny of a minor-  
ity serving foreigners and aim-  
ing at the enslavement of the  
nation."  
Describing the rebellion as "the  
negation of democracy," M. Sop-  
houlis asserted that he had de-  
cided, all the same, to pursue a  
policy of appeasement in spite of  
Communist threats.  
Defending the amnesty policy,  
the Premier said: "Not in-  
considerable number of guerillas  
have cast away their arms and  
have returned to their peaceful  
tasks."  
Moreover, even a greater  
number have manifested their  
desire to follow "this example  
without, however, succeeding in  
escaping from the iron ring which  
the Communist leadership has  
thrown around them."  
He said that the Government,  
which had brought back 10,000  
citizens from exile, would con-  
tinue an intensive fight against  
those refusing to repent and con-  
spiring against the existence of  
Greece.—Reuter.

## BRITAIN'S DEBT PROBLEM

New York, Oct. 13.  
The Twentieth Century Fund,  
United States Institute for  
scientific research and public  
education on current economic  
problems, today called for a  
solution of Britain's debt prob-  
lem by a reduction of the an-  
nual interest payments and  
amortization to manageable  
proportions.  
A report prepared for the in-  
stitute by two United States  
economic experts envisaged the  
reconstruction of world trade  
on liberal principles, with "im-  
portant omissions" of Russia,  
Russian satellite countries and  
probably Germany and Japan,  
in which countries it was sug-  
gested, foreign trade would be  
either Government-controlled or  
managed by occupying military  
authorities.—Reuter.

## MERCHANT NAVY FOR INDIA

New Delhi, Oct. 13.  
India is taking measures to  
build up a big merchant navy.  
The Government was report-  
ed to be actively helping Indian  
shipping companies to buy and  
construct additional tonnage.  
During the next five to seven  
years, India hopes to gain 30  
per cent of trade formerly car-  
ried by Axis vessels in the  
East, according to the target  
programme laid down by the  
Shipping Policy Committee and  
approved by the Government.—  
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### SAILINGS

| For                            | Date      | Vessel              |
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The session constituted the most comprehensive examination of European problems yet conducted by the President and, in some quarters, was thought to foreshadow new and more positive action to tackle the European food and economic situation.

1. The fact that all steps to date have failed to produce sufficient funds to maintain essential dollar imports into Italy and France up till the time Congress acts.

## H.K. Stock Exchange

With Hotels in the lead the turnover yesterday gave further evidence of renewed activity.  
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## YACHT CLUB REGATTA Opening Races Of 1947/48 Season

The opening cruiser of the 1947/48 Sailing Season in Hong Kong was held by the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club at Kellat Island on Friday, Saturday and Sunday last. The club and its guests enjoyed three splendid days' sailing which ended appropriately on Sunday night when the trophies were presented with much acclamation to the winning coxswains by Mrs. C. L. Robertson.

Mr. N. V. A. Croucher, Commodore of the Club, in a few words welcomed Commodore C. L. Robertson, R.N., and Mrs. Robertson to the Club and thanked all those who had so ably organized both the Sailing Regatta and the excellent succession of sun-baths and films throughout the week-end. Following the presentation was a luncheon and dance, with a hand from H.M.S. Gambia, when the trophies that had been won were filled and emptied—many times, and a number of bottles of whisky were called in appropriate style.

The individual winners of the trophies were: Double Challenge Cup—a tie between H. Lewis, R.N., and Mr. Christensen; Star Challenge Cup—Mr. P. D. A. Chiddell; Jubilee Challenge Cup—Mr. Smith; Cruiser Challenge Cup—Mr. P. D. A. Chiddell.

The R.N.S.A. Challenge Cup presented last year for the winning team in an annual Royal Navy versus the Club team race in Dinghies was won on Sunday morning for the second time by the Club, and the cup was presented to Mr. Chiddell who captained the Club team.

Prizes of pewter tankards were given to the coxswains and crews of the winners of the two Whaler races. Sunday's Race—P. D. A. Chiddell (H.M.S. Black Swan). Sunday's Race—Mr. Street (H.M.S. Amethyst).

It is difficult to pick out the high lights of a weekend that was so well enjoyed by entrants in all classes of Yachts, and to a large extent the results and the numbers of entrants must speak for themselves.

**Cruisers**  
The cruisers raced over a short course in the harbour on Saturday afternoon.

1st, "Ariki" (T. F. Hones) 1:49.30; 2nd, "Westwind" (G. G. Wood) 1:59.30; 3rd, "Harbinger" (P. C. M. Sedgewick) 2:47.00; 4th, "Aquila" (F. Clemo) 3:29.00.

The Challenge Cup was presented for the Sunday race, which was over a course from Kellat Island out through Lamma, round Castle Rock (off Tai Tam) back through the Beacon Channel and home. There was a moderate sea and wind. Of the four starters—"Yvonne" (Mr. Strang) led at Channel Rocks and through Lamma but he was overtaken by "Ariki" (Mr. Hones) and "Ariki" then led all the way home—"Yvonne" had the misfortune to be disqualified in the Beacon Channel whilst still lying second. Finishing times were—

1st, "Ariki" (T. F. Hones) 5:21.40; 2nd, "Harbinger" (P. C. M. Sedgewick) 5:41.15; 3rd, "Aquila" (F. Clemo) 6:01.15.

**Stars**  
The winners and runners-up of three Star Heats raced in the final on Sunday afternoon and finished as follows:—

1st, Daphne (P.D.A. Chiddell) 1:36.05; 2nd, Bellefleur (L. G. Barne) 1:43.55; 3rd, Atair (F.S. Coates) 1:48.50; 4th, Deeds (L. Brooks) 1:52.25; 5th, Bencinash (F. Harris) D.N.F.

**Whalers**  
Saturday—1st, Black Swan (P.D. Roberts) 1:55.55; 2nd, Alacrity (P.D. Roberts) 2:06.00; 3rd, Amethyst (L.S. Duncan) 2:45.15; 4th, Constance (P.O. Whitfield) 2:56.15; 5th, Adamant (P.O. Colenutt) 3:04.05; 6th, Contest (P.O. Thorne) 3:08.55; 4 other whalers started but did not finish.

Sunday—1st, Amethyst (Mr. Street) 1:50.20; 2nd, Adamant (Mr. Mack) 3:02.17; 3rd, Adamant (L. Hay) 3:22.05; 4th, Adamant (P.O. Colenutt) 3:22.55; 5th, Contest (P.O. Black) 3:27.10; 6th, Constance (P.O. Cross) 3:40.30; Two others started but did not finish.

**Jubilees**  
Of the four Jubilees, "Rhapsody" (Mr. Smith) won both races on Saturday and Sunday by a narrow margin: 1st, Rhapsody (Mr. Smith) 2:00.20; 2nd, Melody (Mr. Beechings) 2:02.35; 3rd, Harmony (Mr. Reid) 2:02.55; 4th, Strathgry (Mr. Montgomery) 2:11.35.

Sunday: 1st, Rhapsody (Mr. Smith) 1:01.30; 2nd, Strathgry (Mr. Montgomery) 1:07.30; 3rd, Harmony (Mr. Reid) 1:08.25.

**Dinghies**  
There were four dinghy races and a team race. Unfortunately, space will not permit detailing the results of these races as there were over 100 entries.

Friday morning, 13 starters—1st, Maroon (P.C.M. Sedgewick) 1:09.45; 2nd, Tyne II (Christensen) 1:12.25; 3rd, Black Swan (V. Manning) 1:12.40.

Friday afternoon, 25 starters—1st, Maroon (P.C.M. Sedgewick) 1:09.45; 2nd, Tyne II (Christensen) 1:12.25; 3rd, Black Swan (V. Manning) 1:12.40.

### CRAIGENGOWER CRICKET CLUB

A report of the first post-war general meeting of the Craigen-gower Cricket Club yesterday will be found on Page 9.

### Inter-Company Boxing Tourney

Two hours of good sport were witnessed at the China Mail Club last night when the semi-finals and finals of the Inter-Company Boxing Championship of the Royal-Inniskilling Fustlers were held.

### Results

The following were the results:—Bantam-weight (Semi-final): Fus. Burns ("B" Co.) beat Fus. Nicholas (H.Q.).

Feather-weight (Semi-final): Fus. Elliot ("A" Co.) beat Fus. Fleming ("B" Co.).

Light-weight (Semi-final): L/Cpl. Lawrence knocked out Fus. Hassard (S). Fus. Hamman ("B" Co.) knocked out Fus. Patton ("A" Co.).

Welter-weight (Semi-final): Lt. Moore ("A" Co.) beat Fus. Samuels ("A" Co.).

Middle-weight (Semi-final): Fus. Mahoney ("A" Co.) T.K.O. Dearden ("B" Co.).

Heavy-weight (Final): Lt. Pryde ("B" Co.) beat L/Cpl. McParland ("B" Co.).

Middle-weight (Final): Fus. Mahoney ("A" Co.) beat Fus. Holmes ("B" Co.).

Welter-weight (Final): Lt. Moore ("A" Co.) beat Fus. Adair ("A" Co.).

**DE RECREIO TEAM**  
The following will represent Club de Recreio against the Kowloon Cricket Club XI at cricket on Saturday at King's Park.

Dr. E. L. Gosano (Capt.), Dr. A. M. Rodrigues, A. M. Frata, A. P. Pereira, L. G. Gosano, G. N. Gosano, J. M. Gosano, J. L. S. Alves, P. M. N. da Silva, Jr., A. Bayot, N. Beltrao, A. V. G. Santos (Umpire), and D. E. Re-medios (Scorer).

London, Oct. 14. Emile Farnoch, former French flyweight champ, will oppose Dickie O'Sullivan of England over eight rounds at London's Albert Hall on Nov. 3. Promoter Jack Solomons announced today. —Associated Press.

### Strong Tempers Cost Them The Match

At the Club ground yesterday, Kwong Wah were beaten by Club in the First Division of the Football League by three goals to two. Had their players shown better sportsmanship after a hotly disputed penalty had been awarded against them they might have at least shared the points.

Kwong Wah started off well and in a short time were two goals ahead. It looked as if they would register their first win of the season, but they fell off badly after Club had equalised. It was only in the closing stages that they played their usual game.

Odel played a good game at right half for Club and showed a great improvement on past displays. Redman returned to the side and needed careful watching at all times, while Welles was more prone than usual to test the goalkeeper.

In Kwong Wah's team, Sammy Tsang played a very good game in goal and saved his side from a greater defeat. A few minutes later they went further ahead through Tam Yung-kui who netted after

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### Odds On Favourite Narrow

London, Oct. 14. Betting odds on Mighty Maharatta, favourite to win the Cambridgeshire on which the Irish sweepstake selections are based, narrowed to 5-1 on Monday at the Victoria Club callover of bookmakers.

Raponeanu, a French horse, led undisputed ground as a favourite to win the Cesarewitch stakes on Wednesday at Newmarket with odds of 10/2 at the close of betting. He was laid to win £21,000 at 10 to one during the callover.

Heavy betting on the Cesarewitch brought more than a total of £150,000 wagered on various horses.

Roscoe, first offered at 12-1, taken and wanted, closed at 10/2, second favourite after being backed to win £18,000.

Firemaster, third favourite, was backed to win £14,000 at 12-1. Sea Lover which led with Raponeanu in the favourite's position at last Friday's callover, closed at 10/8 after £12,000 had been wagered on him.

Whiteway, backed to win £10,000, closed in fifth place at 10/7 followed by Parliell backed to win £18,000 at 10/6.—Associated Press.

Adelaide, Oct. 13. Don Bradman was bowled the first ball by K. O'Neill during a South Australia trial match here today.—Reuter.

### Historic Battlefield Recaptured

Nanking, Oct. 14. Government troops, under cover of heavy artillery barrage, have begun a drive to clear out the Communist strongholds northwest of Tiehling, the important railway city 40 miles north of Mukden. Nationalist reinforcements continue to stream into Manchuria, according to Chinese reports received here today.

The Communists are said to have already suffered "heavy losses" as a result of the Government's new campaign, which is, however, admitted to be local in nature.

Three local divisions are the latest Government reinforcements to reach Manchuria, the pro-Kuomintang daily "Ta Kung Pao" (not to be confused with the influential independent "Ta Kung Pao"), reported this morning.

Government dispatches state that adequate reinforcements are preventing the plundering of the autumn crops by the Communists in the Mukden, Tiehling, Fushun and Anshan areas.

Outside Manchuria, the civil war spilling in at present focussed on Peiping, capital of Hopei province, in the outer suburbs of which bitter hand-to-hand fighting is progressing.

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The Nationalist attackers are reported to be making numerous bayonet charges to force a general Communist withdrawal from the area.

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Before passing sentence, His Worship declared that "the real nasty bit of the accident was that defendant moved away" and that it was "lucky for you (accused) that nobody died."

According to witnesses, defendant was driving the lorry along Tai Po Road when, near Nan Chang Street, two Chinese ran out from the veranda and tried to cross the road. One of them was knocked down and later, taken to hospital, by Police constable Chan Ying-kit.

### Chinese Play In English

The Wah Yan Dramatic Society's production of the very old and famous Chinese play, "The Unfortunate Beauty" opened its run to a packed house last night. The play was translated into English by Father Sheridan of the Wah Yan College, and acted by Old Boys of the college.

The proceeds of the play are in aid of the Hong Kong Anti-T.B. Association, and the Honorary Secretary of the Association, Dr. T. P. Wu, gave a short address introducing the play to the audience.

The story concerns a very beautiful Chinese village girl who wins a local beauty competition and comes to the capital of the Kingdom of the Han to compete with other beauties for the attentions of the king. The king and she meet accidentally and fall in love, but the wicked machinations of the Prime Minister cause her to be abducted, with a friend to the court of the nearby king of the Hung Lo.

She changes places with her friend, and for three years they carry on the masquerade, until at last her own lover invades the Hung Lo territory, rescues both the girls, and disposes satisfactorily of the Prime Minister.

The cast is well chosen, and seems to thoroughly enjoy itself, with the exception of the unfortunate Beauty herself, played by Miss Katherine Tang. Miss Tang's diction is at times obscure, and she seems oppressed with the weight of her misfortunes. Her stage movements, however, are a joy to watch. Her lover, the Han King, (Mr. R. Haino) is adequate as the scholar-king whose love turns him into a warrior. Miss Lily Tan as the Beauty's friend, Mr. Poon Kwong-lau as her Bailiff and Mr. Joseph Lim as the Prime Minister all give well-balanced performances.

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